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Please amend Claims 21, 26, 28, 31, 34, 35, 37 and 39 as follows.

(Amended) In a batting of a type having opposing faces and a

- softness and a flexibility and configured for use in the formation of a quilt, the quilt
 having at least one cover to be securably attached to the batting by spaced apart
 connectors, the improvement comprising:
 the batting consisting essentially of cotton or polyester or cotton-polyester;
 and
 an adhesive provided with the batting so that the at least one cover can be
 attached to the batting by an adhesive connection at the opposing faces of the
 batting during formation of the quilt.
- 26. (Amended) The batting of Claim 21 wherein the adhesive is activated by heat when applying the cover for attachment to the batting.
 - 28. (Amended) The batting of Claim 21 wherein the adhesive connection is formed by application of pressure.

(Amended) The batting of Claim 21 wherein the adhesive comprises a

- water-soluble material.
 34. (Amended) The batting of Claim 22 wherein the adhesive is applied
 - to a portion of the batting.
- 1 35. (Amended) The batting of Claim 21 wherein the adhesive is applied 2 to at least one of the opposing faces of the batting as a pattern.
- 37. (Amended) The batting of Claim 21 wherein the adhesive is removable.
- 1 39. (Amended) The batting of Claim 21 wherein the batting is a thick 2 material relative to a fabric cover of the quilt.

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Please insert new Claims 67-102 as follows:



- 1 67. (New) A batting of a type having a pair of opposing faces and
- 2 configured to form a soft and flexible quilt by attachment of a cover spaced apart
 - connectors, the batting consisting essentially of cotton or polyester or cotton-
- 4 polyester blend; and an adhesive provided with the batting; so that a cover can be
- s at least temporarily secured to the batting with the adhesive by application of heat
- before the cover is attached to the batting with connectors to form a soft and
- 7 flexible quilt.

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- 1 68. (New) The batting of Claim 67 wherein application of heat is provided
- 2 by an ironing unit.
- 1 69. (New) The batting of Claim 67 wherein the application of heat is by
- 2 pressing.
- 70. (New) The batting of Claim 67 wherein the adhesive is an activatable
- 2 adhesive.



- 71. (New) The batting of Claim 67 wherein the adhesive temporarily
- 2 attaches the cover to the batting.
- 1 72. (New) The batting of Claim 67 wherein the adhesive is provided in a
- thin coating to maintain the complete flexibility and softness of the quilt formed by
- attachment of a cover to each of the opposing faces of the batting.
- 73. (New) The batting of Claim 67 wherein the adhesive comprises a
- 2 nonwoven material.
- 1 74. (New) The batting of Claim 67 wherein the adhesive is applied to the
- 2 opposing faces.

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- 75. (New) The batting of Claim 67 wherein the adhesive is applied to at least a portion of the opposing faces in a pattern.
- 76. (New) The batting of Claim 67 wherein the adhesive provides an interface for attachment of the cover to the batting.
- 1 77. (New) The batting of Claim 67 wherein the adhesive is applied to a portion of the batting.
- 78. (New) The batting of Claim 67 wherein the adhesive is applied to the batting by spraying at least one of the opposing faces.
- 79. (New) The batting of Claim 67 wherein the adhesive comprises a water-soluble material.
- 80. (New) The batting of Claim 67 wherein the adhesive is inactive until activated by application of heat and pressure.
- 1 81. (New) The batting of Claim 67 wherein the adhesive is applied to at least one of the opposing faces of the batting as a thin layer.
- 82. (New) The batting of Claim 67 wherein the adhesive is removable by washing.
- 1 83. (New) The batting of Claim 67 comprising a loft that is thick relative 2 to a fabric cover of the quilt.
- 1 84. (New) The batting of Claim 67 wherein the adhesive will remain in 2 the quilt formed after attachment of covers to each of the opposing faces of the 3 batting by spaced-apart connectors such as yarn or thread.
- 1 85. (New) The batting of Claim 67 wherein the batting consists 2 essentially of cotton and polyester with the adhesive.

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- 86. (New) A batting of a type having a pair of opposing faces and configured to form a soft and flexible quilt by attachment of a cover to each of the 2 opposing faces by spaced apart connectors, the batting comprising: 3
- a loft consisting essentially of cotton or polyester or cotton-polyester blend;
- 5 and

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- 6 an adhesive provided with the batting;
- 7 so that a cover can be at least temporarily secured to each of the opposing faces of the batting with the adhesive before the cover is attached to the batting В with connectors to form a quilt.
- 87. (New) The batting of Claim 86 wherein the adhesive is provided on t each of the opposing faces. 2
- 88. (New) The batting of Claim 86 wherein the adhesive will remain in 1 the quilt after the cover is attached to the batting by spaced apart connectors. 2
- 89. (New) The batting of Claim 86 wherein the adhesive is activatable.

- 90. (New) The batting of Claim 86 wherein the cover is at least 1 temporarily secured to the batting with the adhesive by pressing the cover to the 2 batting. 3
- (New) The batting of Claim 86 wherein the cover is at least 91. 1 temporarily secured to the batting with the adhesive by application of heat. 2
- 92. (New) The batting of Claim 86 wherein the adhesive is applied as a 1 coating to the loft.
- 93. (New) The batting of Claim 86 wherein the application of heat by an 1 iron secures the cover to the batting. 2
- 94. (New) The batting of Claim 86 wherein the adhesive comprises a water-soluble adhesive.

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- 1 95. (New) The batting of Claim 86 wherein the adhesive provides an
- interface between the cover and the batting.
- 96. (New) The batting of Claim 86 wherein the adhesive is provided to a portion of the batting.
- 97. (New) The batting of Claim 86 wherein the adhesive is applied by spraying to at least one of the opposing faces of the batting.
- 98. (New) The batting of Claim 86 wherein the loft is thick relative to a fabric cover for the quilt.
- 1 99. (New) The batting of Claim 86 wherein the adhesive comprises a non-woven material.
- 1 100. (New) The batting of Claim 86 wherein the adhesive is applied to the batting in a pattern.
- 101. (New) The batting of Claim 86 wherein the adhesive is removable by washing.
- 1 102. (New) The batting of Claim 86 wherein the loft comprises a low-loft material that comprises 80 percent cotton and 20 percent polyester.

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